

REMARKS

Claims 1-23, 25, 28-29 and 31 are pending in this application. Claims 1, 3, 11, 14, 22, 25, 29 and 31 are amended herein in order to place the claims in a condition for allowance or alternatively to present the claims in better form for consideration on appeal. Claim 24 was previously canceled and claims 26-27, 30 and 32 are canceled herein. Applicant respectfully requests entry of the amendments herein and reconsideration of the claims in view of the following remarks.

Claim 25 was objected to for depending from a canceled claim. Claim 25 is amended herein. Withdrawal of the objection is requested.

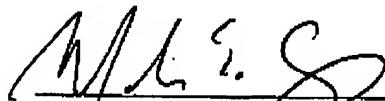
Claims 11-22, 25 and 27 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Borkar et al. Claims 1-10, 22-23, 26, 28-29 and 30 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being obvious over Begin. These rejections are hereby respectfully traversed.

In the Examiner's Action, dependent claim 30 was objected to and the Examiner indicated that if rewritten in independent form, claim 30 would be allowable. The allowable limitation of claim 30 has been incorporated into each of the independent claims 1, 11, 22, and 31 by amendments herein. Reconsideration and allowance is therefore requested for each of these claims.

Claims 2-10 depend from and incorporate the allowable limitations of amended independent claim 1. Claims 12-21 depend from and incorporate the allowable limitations of amended independent claim 11. Claims 23, 25, and 28-29 depend from and incorporate the allowable limitations of amended independent claim 22. Claims 24, 26-27 and 32 are canceled. Applicant believes that each of the remaining dependent claims 2-10, 12-21, 23, 25, and 28-29 are allowable. Reconsideration and allowance is therefore requested for these claims.

Applicant has made a diligent effort to place the claims and this application in condition for allowance. However, should there remain unresolved issues that require adverse action, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone Mark E. Courtney, Applicant's attorney, at 972-732-1001 so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible. No fee is believed due in connection with this filing. However, should one be deemed due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1065.

Respectfully submitted,



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